IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA SOUTHERN DIVISION

No. 7:23-cv-1305

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THIS DOO	CUMENT R	RELATES TO):	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
Ronald		Keith		
Plaintiff First	Middle	Last	Suffix	

SHORT-FORM COMPLAINT

The Plaintiff named below, or Plaintiff's representative, files this Short Form Complaint against Defendant United States of America under the Camp Lejeune Justice Act of 2022 ("CLJA"). Pub. L. No. 117-168, § 804, 136 Stat. 1802, 1802–04 (2022). Plaintiff or Plaintiff's representative incorporates by reference the allegations contained in the Master Complaint (DE 25) on file in the case styled *In Re: Camp Lejeune Water Litigation*, Case No. 7:23-cv-897, in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina. Plaintiff or Plaintiff's representative files this Short-Form Complaint as permitted by Case Management Order No. 2. Plaintiff or Plaintiff's representative alleges as follows:

1. On THIS FORM, are you asserting a claim for	This form may only be used to file a complaint for
injuries to YOU or to SOMEONE ELSE you legally	ONE PERSON'S injuries. If you intend to bring
represent?	claims for multiple individuals' injuries—for example,
■ To me	a claim for yourself and one for a deceased spouse—
■ Someone else	you must file ONE FORM FOR EACH INJURED
	PERSON.

II. PLAINTIFF INFORMATION

If you checked "To me" in Box 1, YOU are the Plaintiff. Complete this section with information about YOU.

If you checked "Someone else" in Box 1, <u>THAT PERSON is the Plaintiff.</u> Complete this section with information about THAT PERSON.

2. First name: Ronald	3. Middle name:	4. Last name: Keith	5. Suffix:
6. Sex: ■ Male □ Female □ Other		7. Is the Plaintiff deceased ☐ Yes ☐ No If you checked "To me" in A	
Skip (8) and (9) if you che	cked "Yes" in Box 7.		
8. Residence city: West Bridgewater		9. Residence state: MA	
Skip (10), (11), and (12) if	you checked "No" in Box 7	•	
10. Date of Plaintiff's death:	11. Plaintiff's residence state at the time of their death:	12. Was the Plaintiff's dea that resulted from their ex water at Camp Lejeune? ☐ Yes ☐ No	

III. EXPOSURE INFORMATION

If you checked "To me" in Box 1, complete this section with information about YOU.

If you checked "Someone else" in Box 1, complete this section with information about THAT PERSON.

13. Plaintiff's first month of exposure to the water at Camp Lejeune: Oct 1978	14. Plaintiff's last month of exposure to the water at Camp Lejeune: Dec 1987	
15. Estimated total months of exposure:	16. Plaintiff's status at the time(s) of exposure	
67	(please check all that apply): Member of the Armed Services	
0.	☐ Member of the Armed Services ☐ Civilian (includes in utero exposure)	
17. If you checked Civilian in Box 16, check all that	18. Did Plaintiff at any time live or work in any of	
describe the Plaintiff at the time(s) of exposure:	the following areas? Check all that apply.	
☐ Civilian Military Dependent	☐ Berkeley Manor	
☐ Civilian Employee of Private Company	☐ Hadnot Point	
☐ Civil Service Employee	☐ Hospital Point	
☐ In Utero/Not Yet Born	☐ Knox Trailer Park	
☐ Other	☐ Mainside Barracks	
	☐ Midway Park	
	☐ Paradise Point	
	■ Tarawa Terrace	
	☐ None of the above	
	□ Unknown	

IV. INJURY INFORMATION

If you checked "To me" in Box 1, complete this section with information about YOU.

If you checked "Someone else" in Box 1, complete this section with information about THAT PERSON.

19. Identify the illnesses or conditions the Plaintiff suffered as a result of exposure to contaminated water at Camp Lejeune.

Injury	Approximate date of onset
\square Adverse birth outcomes (Plaintiff is the PARENT of an individual who	
died in utero or was stillborn or born prematurely)	
☐ ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease)	
☐ Aplastic anemia or myelodysplastic syndrome	
☐ Bile duct cancer	
■ Bladder cancer	2017
☐ Brain / central nervous system cancer	
☐ Breast cancer	
☐ Cardiac birth defects (Plaintiff was BORN WITH the defects)	
☐ Cervical cancer	
☐ Colorectal cancer	
☐ Esophageal cancer	
\square Gallbladder cancer	
☐ Hepatic steatosis (Fatty Liver Disease)	
☐ Hypersensitivity skin disorder	
☐ Intestinal cancer	
☐ Kidney cancer	
☐ Non-cancer kidney disease	
☐ Leukemia	
☐ Liver cancer	
☐ Lung cancer	
☐ Mutliple myeloma	
☐ Neurobehavioral effects	
☐ Non-cardiac birth defects (Plaintiff was BORN WITH the defects)	
☐ Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma	
☐ Ovarian cancer	
☐ Pancreatic cancer	
☐ Parkinson's disease	
☐ Prostate cancer	
☐ Sinus cancer	
☐ Soft tissue cancer	
☐ Systemic sclerosis / scleroderma	
☐ Thyroid cancer	

The Camp Lejeune Justice	Act does not specify a list o	of covered conditions.	
	posure to the water at Camp	ndition not listed above, and the p Lejeune as required under the	
		of the U.S. Department of Vetone for conditions beyond those	
Other:		•	Approximate date of onset
	Box 1, <u>SKIP THIS SECTI</u>	ATIVE INFORMATION ON and proceed to section V is section with information ab	I. ("Exhaustion").
20. Representative First Name:	21. Representative Middle Name:	22. Representative Last Name:	23. Representative Suffix:
24. Residence City:		25. Residence State:	
26. Representative Sex: ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Other			
27. What is your familial in They are/were my spouse. ☐ They are/were my parent. ☐ They are/were my child. ☐ They are/were my sibling. ☐ Other familial relationship. ☐ No familial relationship.	e. :. g. ip: They are/were my	ff?	
Derivative claim			
	0 0	intiff's spouse, children, or pa er economic or non-economic	0 .

VI. EXHAUSTION

this Plaintiff filed with the Department of the Navy	30. What is the DON Claim Number for the administrative claim?
(DON)? 09/30/2022	CLS23-009243
	☐ DON has not yet assigned a Claim Number

VII. CLAIM FOR RELIEF

Plaintiff respectfully requests that pursuant to subsection 804(b) of the CLJA the Court enter judgment against the Defendant and award damages and all other appropriate relief for the harm to Plaintiff that was caused by exposure to the water at Camp Lejeune.

VIII. JURY TRIAL DEMAND

Plaintiff demands a trial by jury of all issues so triable pursuant to Rule 38 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and subsection 804(d) of the CLJA.

Dated: November 3, 2023

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